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COLLEGEVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 1913.

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THE "HOME PAPER" OF THE MIDDLE SECTION OF PROSPEROUS MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

TOWN NOTES.

Preparations are being made for the local teachers' institute to be held in Bomberger Memorial Hall of Ursinus College, February 1. The event will attract considerable attention. The program for the three sessions will be announced next week.

Over two hundred tickets were sold for the chicken supper to be held in the basement of Trinity Reformed church on Wednesday evening of this week.

The present condition of Main street of this borough is arousing considerable adverse comment. A semi-liquid combination of oil and pulverized rock, churned by automobile wheels, has converted the surface of the thoroughfare into something like a heavy mortar bed several inches in thickness, which of course is very objectionable to pedestrians. Our Main street appears to be quite a serious problem. Pending the settling of the oil and crushed rock, under the influence of sunlight, there should be a thorough removal of the mortar at the street intersections, so that crossing and recrossing will not invite outbursts of anger and vigorous speech.

Miss Mabel Snovel, operator at the Collegeville exchange of the Bell Telephone Company, is suffering with a very sore finger. Some days ago the prong of a belt buckle pierced the finger, lacerating the flesh, and inflammation followed. The young lady is having a narrow escape from blood poisoning of a serious nature.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Keyser, of West Point, were in town on Saturday.

Newton Godshall is now a full-fledged machinist at the Philadelphia plant of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, having recently completed a three-year apprenticeship. Mr. Godshall, who is well pleased with his work, spends his week ends with his parents in Collegeville.

At a meeting of the school board held Friday evening it was decided to put in use individual drinking cups for all of the pupils and R. E. Miller was appointed a committee of one to make the necessary purchases. Collegeville is the first school district in this section to take this precaution against the spread of disease.

G. F. Clamer is installing a heating plant, bathroom fixtures, and a pumping outfit at the residence of Mr. McKinzie, near Graterford.

Mrs. Daisy Fairfield, nee Gehman, from Taluku, China, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Gehman last Thursday.

Charles Barndt, from Philadelphia, was in town, Friday.

The Ladies' Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. Geo. Clamer, Monday evening. The program follows: Piano duets, Misses Mary Barman and Gladys Boorem; recitation, Dorothy Gristock; piano solo, Alma Bechtel; reading, Mrs. Boorem; recitation, Mr. Delinger; vocal solo, Mrs. Barrett.

Mr. Custer, who resides with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bechtel, is ill and confined to his room.

An artesian well is being dug on the lot recently purchased by M. T. Hunsicker in the upper part of town.

Trinity Church Notes.

The services at Trinity Reformed church, Sunday morning, were given over to an observance of the 350th anniversary of the Heidelberg catechism. There was special music by the choir and several addresses. Before the church services a special program was rendered by the Sunday School, a printed service, consisting of songs and responsive readings, being used. At the church service Dr. G. L. Onwaka spoke on the historical development leading up to the Heidelberg Catechism. The work of Ursinus and Olevianus in producing the catechism was treated in an address by Prof. W. A. Kline. The pastor of the church, Rev. Wm. Clapp, made a special plea to make the anniversary the beginning of a new era of prosperity for Trinity church and for the realization of a personal responsibility among the members.

There were 142 present in Sunday School last Sunday. The school is increasing in numbers and in interest and efficiency.

About 40 of the members of this church responded to a challenge for definite, practical Christian work. The pastor will preach next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock on "The First Gentle Revival," at 7:30 in the evening the theme will be "If I Am Lost, who is responsible?" Come and worship with us.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT AND SYMPATHY.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Roosevelt Literary Society:

Whereas, by the will of Almighty God in His infinite wisdom and power, our fellow member, Charles Balentine has been called from this life to the One Beyond;

Be it therefore resolved, that the Roosevelt Literary Society express its sincere sympathy to the bereaved family in their hour of sorrow, and be it also resolved that copies of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, printed in the Independent and recorded in the minutes of the society.

Amy E. Butler
Edwardine Tyson
Russell Barman
Committee.

DEATHS.

Leonidas Stroup.

Leonidas Stroup, for over forty years a respected citizen of Lower Providence, died suddenly on Sunday evening at his home near Eagleville. He had just returned from a walk and was in the act of hanging his coat on a hook when he dropped to the floor dead. He had been in failing health the past year. Mr. Stroup, who was a veteran of the Civil war, having served in the 150th Regiment, Pa. Volunteers, was aged 76 years. He was a member of Walkers Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Germantown. The wife and three children survive—William and Lidie, at home, and Milton, of Bristol. The funeral will be held on Thursday. All services in the Lower Providence Presbyterian church at 2 p. m. Interment in the adjoining cemetery; undertaker J. L. Bechtel in charge.

Ella May, daughter of Norman and Sallie Smith, of Oaks, died Thursday morning, aged 4 months. Funeral on Saturday at 11:30. Interment in Tremont cemetery, Norristown; undertaker J. L. Bechtel in charge.

HELD NOVELTY PARTY AT ODD FELLOWS' HALL.

The ladies of Economy Lodge of Odd Fellows, Collegeville, entertained at a progressive novelty party Wednesday evening of last week. The affair was an entire success and was thoroughly enjoyed by the large gathering. The company was divided among euchre, hasenpfeffer and parishes and the contests were keen. The prizes were awarded as follows: Ladies' novelty first, Mrs. J. H. Bartman; ladies euchre first, Mrs. Place; ladies hasenpfeffer first, Mrs. Geo. F. Clamer; men's novelty first, David Reiner; euchre, Clarence Place; hasenpfeffer, Chas. Levensgood; ladies novelty booby, Mrs. D. Reiner; euchre, Mrs. Pfeiffer; hasenpfeffer, Mrs. Levensgood.

After the attractive prizes were awarded delectable refreshments were served and a pleasant social period enjoyed.

DIXIE BEFORE THE WAR.

Rev. A. W. Lamar's lecture "Dixie Before the War," in Bomberger Memorial Hall, Wednesday evening of last week, was very instructive and entertaining. His graphic descriptions of the incidents of negro life in the south before the war, of their habits, enjoyments, and their religion, held the close attention of his hearers.

There was much pathos associated with a part of the lecturer's presentation of negro life in the old days in the Southland. Those who heard the lecturer enjoyed a treat.

Rev. Stone Has Accepted Call to Pennsylvania Charge.

After a successful pastorate of ten years at Thornville, Ohio, Rev. J. E. Stone, who is well known to many residents of this section, has accepted a call from Christ's Reformed church, Roaring Springs, Blair county, Pa. Rev. Stone's wife was Miss Nellie Culbert, daughter of Dr. Jos. Culbert, of Collegeville. In advising the editor of the change he is about to make Mr. Stone adds, "We greatly enjoy the weekly visits of the 'Independent'."

Before 'Squire Yost.

Edward Friday, hailing from Pottstown, came to town on Saturday. He was under the influence of tangletoot and his condition and conduct was such that it became necessary for special officer Gehman to place him in the lockup. He was afterward given a hearing before 'Squire Yost' and fined \$5 and \$7.09 costs, in default of the payment of which he was taken to Norristown. His friends came to his rescue soon after he was committed and paid the fine and costs and he was released.

Fatally Burned Playing with Fire.

Playing with some boys around a vacant lot in Swedeland, Sunday afternoon, 7-year-old Anna Petrick was so terribly burned when her dress caught fire that she died a few hours later at Charity Hospital, Norristown. Her mother from the home nearby, saw the child's clothes catch fire, but before assistance was rendered the flames had done their deadly work.

Quarterly Communion Service.

Quarterly communion services will be held in the Trappe United Evangelical church on Sunday afternoon, January 26, at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. J. Hoover, Presiding elder of the Harrisburg district, will preach. All are invited.

Sold Property in Ironbridge.

A. J. Ashenfelder has sold his large home in Ironbridge to I. M. Boos, of Pennsburg. Mr. Boos was formerly the proprietor of the New Hanover Square hotel.

Beets Pulled in January.

One day last week Mrs. E. W. David, of Collegeville, pulled red beets from her garden and found them in excellent condition.

A Hero in a Lighthouse.

For years J. S. Donahoe, So. Haven, Mich., a civil war captain, as a lighthouse keeper, survived awful wrecks, but a queer fact is, he might have been a wreck himself, if Electric Bitters had not prevented. "They cured me of kidney trouble and chills," he writes, "after I had taken other so-called cures for years, without benefit and they also improved my sight. Now, at seventy, I am feeling fine." For dyspepsia, indigestion, all stomach, liver and kidney troubles, they're without equal. Try them. Only 50 cents at Wm. M. Hill's drug store, Collegeville, and at M. T. Hunsicker's store, Ironbridge.

ADVOCATE LICENSE FOR GUNNER

At Annual Banquet the Norristown Fish and Game Protective Association Favors Gunners' License.

One of the most notable of the annual banquets of the Norristown Fish and Game Protective Association was held at City Hall, Norristown, Saturday evening. It was the eighteenth in the association's history and was attended by a large number of sportsmen throughout the middle and lower end of the county, including a number from this end of the Perkiomen valley. The association went on record as favoring a resident gunner's license and its legislative committee, of which Dr. M. Y. Weber, of Evansburg is a member, was instructed to exert influence with the State's lawmakers in behalf of such a measure.

There were more than two hundred seated at the banquet table, at the head of which sat Judge Solly, the president of the association. Among the notables present were Nathan R. Buller, Commissioner of Fisheries, C. E. Brewster, Federal game law expert, Congressman Diefenderfer, deputy Forestry Commissioner Williams and others.

A hunters license fee of \$1 was favored because the money thus derived would, according to the association's idea, be turned over to the State Game Commission, which thus would have at its disposal at least \$100,000 instead of \$700 as at present, from which is paid a commissioner and seven wardens who must look after the entire State. With this increased sum it would be possible better to protect the game by many more wardens; there would be a wholesale propagation of game; it would be possible to pay bounties for killing noxious birds and predatory animals; it would mean that an alien, who is a known menace to game, could not hunt; and the elimination of the boy and the irresponsible person with a gun, who tears down fences, shoots barnyard fowl and is generally a nuisance to the farmer; it would mean positive identification of every gunner.

The measure would except "Every one who is a property owner or tenant who guns on unposted land owned or leased by him, and on which he is actually domiciled, and which land is used exclusively for agricultural purposes, and not for the purpose of club shooting."

Among the exhibitions were a display of wood duck by John U. Francis, Jr., of Oaks, and a bass, measuring 21 inches long, and which was pulled from the Perkiomen at Spring Mount, last summer.

AWARD LETTERS AT URSINUS

The meeting of the Athletic Committee on Wednesday evening resulted in the official award of the varsity "U" to the members of the varsity football team and of the "U. A." to the members who played on the scrub eleven.

Those who were awarded the "U" were Captain Yoh, Seaman, Captain for 1913, Erickson, Mitterling, Minnich, Ginchir, Gormley, Hallman, Kennedy, Wall and Nork. Of these Yoh, Seaman, Erickson, and Mitterling had received the varsity "U" previous to this year. These men will also receive sweaters upon graduating.

The privilege of wearing a "U" was also granted to Manager Lockart for faithful service in managing the business of the football team and to Jacobs and Cassel, both of the class of 1913, for faithful and meritorious service on the scrub team during their four years at college.

The awarding of the "U. A." was made to the following: E. Kichline, Heller, Fisher, Rigels, Beltz, Light, Rambo, Eby, Adams, Myers, Sellers, Mulford and Keller.

WIND DEMOLISHED BUILDING.

The high wind of only a few minutes duration which accompanied the heavy rain about 5 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, razed the large factory building of the Ilhaca Glass Company at Spring City. The loss is estimated at about \$15,000. All that remains of the 145 feet by 104 building is a huge pile of splintered wood. The building was 14 years old, but had not been used for several years.

Marriage May be Invalid.

When the estate of Andrew J. Fisher, formerly of Springfield township, came before the Orphans' court for adjudication last week, there was evidence calculated to show that the aged man was not mentally sound when he contracted a marriage in Wilmington, Del., on November 5, 1908, and that therefore his widow, who is an inmate with her baby at the county almshouse, is not entitled to share in the estate, estimated to be worth from \$20,000 to \$25,000.

CARTOONIST COMING.

The next event at Ursinus, under the auspices of the lecture course management, will be the captivating and enjoyable presentations of Ash Davis, the celebrated cartoonist, Wednesday, January 29 at 8 p. m., Bomberger Memorial Hall. Tickets, 35 cents.

\$100 Per Plate

was paid at a banquet to Henry Clay, in New Orleans in 1842. Mightily costly for those with stomach trouble or indigestion. To day people everywhere use Dr. King's New Life Pills for these troubles as well as liver, kidney and bowel disorders. Easy, safe, sure. Only 25c. at Wm. M. Hill's drug store, Collegeville, and at M. T. Hunsicker's, Ironbridge.

SYMPOSIUM ON LATIN-AMERICA.

In accordance with its custom of recent years, Ursinus College will devote Thursday, January 30, to platform meetings for the consideration of international problems. The theme this year will be Latin-American Civilization with special reference to the South American republics.

The conference will open at 2:30 p. m. with a presentation of the social and religious aspect of Latin-America. The speakers at this session will be Mr. Frederic Brown, the Secretary of the Pan American Society of the United States, New York City, and the Hon. Cabot Ward, formerly Governor of Porto Rico, delegate from the United States to the Pan American Congress at Buenos Ayres, and U. S. Commissioner to Chile, in 1910. At the evening session, opening at 8:00 o'clock, the industrial and commercial conditions of South American will be considered. The principal speaker will be Mr. Francisco J. Yanes, Assistant Director of the Pan-American Union, Washington, D. C.

These meetings will be of extraordinary interest and are open without charge to the public. The President and Faculty of the College invite all interested friends to attend.

YOUNG'S HOPES BLASTED.

William P. Young, the Washington party politician, of Pottstown, was assured of his election as resident clerk of the State House of Representatives and the assurance was widely published throughout the county. His disillusionment was bitter when on Tuesday he was defeated. William H. Leib was elected on the fourth ballot. Thomas H. Garvin, of Delaware, was elected chief clerk on the third ballot.

Coroner Not Anxious to Investigate Death.

The burial of the 4 days old baby of Grace Madison, of Eagleville, was delayed because Coroner Neville, after being notified, did not care to investigate the death for fear that Controller Jacobs would refuse to approve his bill of expense. As there was no doctor in attendance at the time of death, there was no one in authority to give a certificate for burial but the Coroner, and without a death certificate the undertaker could not get a burial permit. The District Attorney ordered the Coroner to make an investigation.

The condition arose while the Court is getting ready to render an opinion defining the duties of the Coroner, who has sued for his bills, many of which have been held up by the controller.

The latter holds that many of the investigations made by the Coroner since his election last year were unnecessary, and put an undue burden on the county. The Coroner claims that it is his duty to investigate a death whenever called upon to do so. But the Controller holds that only the suspicious deaths should be investigated. How the Coroner is to know just when he is to respond to a matter appeal the Court is expected to tell.

Discuss Timely Topics at Skipack Institute.

That the time is not far distant when some of the rural schools will be awakened to their possibilities for exerting a much wider influence was shown by some of the subjects discussed at the three sessions of the local teachers institute held in Valley House Hall, Skipack, on Saturday.

Here are some of the phases of school work considered: "Our School Playgrounds in Present Conditions and Size Afford Good Service to the Children," "Use of Lantern Slides in the Schools," "Manual Arts," "The School as a Social Center."

Rev. O. S. Kriebel, D. D., principal of Perkiomen Seminary, delivered a lecture on the Panama Canal as the feature of the evening session.

ILL WITH TYPHOID.

Steward Jacob K. Leidy, of the Montgomery County Home, is down with an attack of typhoid fever. Mr. Leidy has been unwell since before the holidays. At the time of holding the annual meeting of the Poor Directors he was able to be in his office for a short while. Last week the physician pronounced his illness typhoid fever. Mr. Leidy's condition on Tuesday of this week was critical, his temperature being 104. His many friends are hoping that he will recover.

Abraham Fox is ill with typhoid fever at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Fox, near Creamery. The young man, who was employed in Norristown, went home two weeks ago and the disease developed.

In investigating a case of typhoid fever, Norristown's Board of Health officer discovered five unreported cases of the fever in one family.

CHURCH WEDDING.

Mr. Claude N. Getty and Miss Louise Staddon, of Eagleville, were married at noon, Wednesday of this week, in the Lower Providence Presbyterian church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. Miller, of East Berlin, Pa., assisted by Rev. Irvin Wagner, pastor of the church. The best man was Clinton Bone, of Philadelphia, and Miss Laura Campbell, of Eagleville was the bridesmaid.

MR. KRATZ OFFERS AN EXPLANATION

Mr. Kratz Tells Why He Did Not Remedy the Law Library Matter While He was a Legislator.

From the Norristown Times, Jan. 7. To the Editor of The Times:

When, after vainly endeavoring to get some other responsible party to give the people the facts as to the law library, and finding they lacked the nerve to do it, I predicted to my friends that the first fruits of my disclosures would be not a defense of the same as being in the interest of the people, because it is absolutely indefensible but would be abuse of magistrates' test that the abuse of myself, I was a true prophet. The query is already out—Why did not Mr. Kratz, when a member of the Assembly, get a repeal bill through? I will frankly state why, as I always take the people into my confidence. Although a life-long resident of Montgomery county, prior to my membership in the Assembly, I was in business in Philadelphia, and only came to Norristown occasionally, and while I knew of the existence of the Library, I never made its manner of support a subject of inquiry, and did not know.

Not until 1892 did I realize the situation, when my warm personal friend, the late Austin L. Taggart, was running for Assembly, and was defeated by 20 votes on the face of the returns and gained his seat in the most righteous contest ever brought in Pennsylvania. During the campaign, which was very close, being in the second Harrison-Cleveland year, he frequently advised me as to his prospects, and one day said, among other things that the financial interests were against him because at the preceding session he had raised the tax on money at interest from 3 to 4 mills, and also said the judges and the lawyers are not very friendly. In surprise I asked why. He replied they are deathly afraid I will have the law giving the Library the fines and forfeitures repealed. I then looked into the matter and soon knew what the situation was.

Mr. Taggart was admitted late in the session, and of course, his wings were clipped by the contest, and he could do nothing. Since that year it would have been impossible to get the bill through in the boss-ridden Legislature. It might have been passed by the House in 1899, but it would have been blocked in the Senate. The first fruits of any effort in that direction would have been a quiet warning to the county leaders, Holland or Johnson, that it would be to their interest to squelch it, and their application for a squelcher to Quay or Penrose would easily have been successful. The Legislature this year is unbossed and bills can go through on their merits, and this repeal will easily go through if any one of the five—Heacock, Ambler, Rex, Bergey or Kern—has the nerve to push it. If the people of the county can not get relief in a matter of kind with our delegation, composed as it is of a Democratic-Keystone Senator, one Washington-Republican member, one Washington member, one Democrat-Washington member and one Democrat member all entirely free from boss control, unless they might as well keep on sending gang Republicans to Harrisburg.

The Times is in error in saying that I met the Commissioners after sending the letter of January 6th, and that they informed me they could do nothing in the matter of fines. This statement, however, although not made to me, is true so far as the current fines are concerned. The Commissioners can get them as they accrue until the Act of 1896 is repealed by the Legislature, and my letter is very clear in not referring to the current fines. The reference is to the large accumulation, amounting, it is said, to \$30,000 to \$60,000, in the hands of the Law Library, which, I claim, they forfeit by non-user, and this accumulation I urge them to secure for the use of the county.

I am fully aware of the difficulties that will be encountered at every step, but feel confident that both Controller and Commissioners will do their full duty.

No more will be written until sufficient time elapses to see whether the Commissioners commence proceedings, and whether our men at Harrisburg propose to act.

C. TYSON KRATZ.

EVANSBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Thomas are spending the week with friends in Philadelphia and Wayne.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thomas, Jr., and daughter, of Philadelphia, Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Abram Thomas and daughter, of Wayne, visited R. R. Thomas and family, Sunday.

Messrs. Perry Hunsicker, of Creamery, and Paul Krupp, of Kulpsville, Miss Rosa Whitman, of Schwenksville, and Miss Katherine Metz, of Creamery, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Morgan C. Weber.

Miss Elizabeth Casselberry, from Philadelphia, visited Miss May Casselberry, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Stock and Carol Stock spent Sunday with Abram Miller and family.

Earl Wanner is still confined to the house.

Alfred Ballentine left Saturday afternoon for Norwich, Conn., where he will visit his sister, Mrs. Clark.

STATE CATTLE DEALERS WOULD CHANGE LEGISLATION.

In an effort to protect themselves and to secure greater service from the State Livestock Sanitary Board, a large majority of the cattlemen, butchers and slaughter house operators of the State have organized the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association. Among the members of the board of directors is J. Y. Keck, a Pottstown resident.

The legislative committee of this association is doing some work which should interest every cattle dealer or cattle raiser in the State. The legislative committee met about two weeks ago and prepared ten propositions to be presented to the Legislature, the more important of which are the following:

Civil service test for officers of State Live Stock Sanitary Board.

That this board be given authority to kill condemned cattle and hogs.

New maximum limit for appraisal of condemned animals.

That settlement be made within 30 days after the receipt of veterinarian's report.

SAFE BLOWERS GET \$500 FROM PHOENIXVILLE STATION.

Safe blowers made a haul early Monday morning at the Phoenixville passenger station of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. The safe in the ticket office of the station, which contained Sunday's cash receipts, was blown open with nitro-glycerine, and the job was done in a manner showing that the burglars were adepts at the work. About \$500 was secured by the yegmen. No tickets were taken and some small change in a drawer was not disturbed.

A clock in the office had stopped at 3:08, showing that at that time the charge of nitroglycerine had been fired. The door of the safe was blown off and landed several feet away. The robbery was not discovered until about 6 o'clock.

This is the fourth time within 12 years that this station has been visited by robbers.

Inventor, Once Norristown Resident, is Dead.

Dr. Thaddeus S. Lowe, a noted scientist, experimenter and inventor, died last week at Pasadena, California, at the home of his daughter. Dr. Lowe was born in New Hampshire but before moving west lived for a number of years in Norristown, which place he afterward frequently visited. He devised a system of signals from balloons which was used in the Civil war. He also invented the first artificial ice making process used in this country and established the first cold storage plant. A water gas process that he invented has practically revolutionized the making of gas.

Professor Lowe was the builder of the Mount Lowe Railway, which runs to a point 5000 feet above sea level in the Sierra Madre mountains, where he established the Lowe Observatory, equipped with the largest searchlight in the world.

Deceased was the father-in-law of H. M. Brownback, Esq. of Norristown.

Applied for License to Wed Again on Day First Wife Died.

The wife of Joseph F. Nugent, a musician, of Cheltenham, died, Monday last week and on the same day the man took steps to have a marriage license procured for him a license for another marriage. The license was secured on Thursday. As an explanation for the alacrity with which Nugent again assumed the responsibility of matrimony and his apparent lack of feeling, however, it should be stated that the couple had lived apart for some time before the wife's death.

EAGLEVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reese, from Trooper, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Reese.

The Misses Harding on Sunday entertained Mr. and Mrs. Frank Evans and son, of Norristown.

Mr. J. S. Campbell is having a steel wind-mill erected in place of a wooden one that was destroyed by the recent storm.

The Lower Providence Baptist Mite Society will hold their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mr. Horace Place, Thursday evening, Jan. 23. A very cordial invitation is extended to all.

The fortieth anniversary and banquet of the Union Benevolent Association of Eagleville, was held Wednesday evening. Among the guests were members of the Harleysville and Fairview Benevolent Societies. A number of interesting speeches were made. Among those who spoke was Prof. Chas. Brelsford, of Philadelphia, a charter member of the association.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Detwiler celebrated the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on Tuesday of this week. They entertained about fifty of their friends from 10 to 5 in honor of the event. A very elaborate dinner was served to the guests. Mr. and Mrs. Detwiler were the recipients of many beautiful gifts.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by F. W. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, Toledo, O. Halls' Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

TRAPPE NEWS.

The entertainment under the auspices of Keystone Grange in Masonic Hall, Thursday evening, by Ida Jennes Moulton, elocutionist and impersonator, attracted an audience that crowded the hall, even though the weather was unfavorable. The entertainer delighted everybody present with her very clever readings, recitations and impersonations.

Oyster supper under the auspices of St. Luke's club in Masonic Hall next Saturday evening, January 25. The startling posters promise a very unique affair and the occasion will no doubt be a pleasant one. A pie-eating contest will be a feature.

Philip Willard's condition is about the same.

Rev. Mr. Engel was the guest of Rev. Jacob Bowers and family, Sunday.

A porker recently slaughtered by Walter Stearly dressed 450 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Buckwalter and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Harley, Sunday.

Last May Abram Bradford and O. E. Reed each purchased a sucking pig of Edward Beckman and proceeded to exercise their abilities as pork raisers. Within the past week the hogs that grew from pigs were killed. Bradford's porker dressed 272 pounds and Reed's tipped the scale at 254 pounds. Some quick pork raising that.

Philly Mathieu was awarded a yellow ribbon for third prize on a White Wyandotte cockerel at Michell's poultry show, Philadelphia, last week.

Miss Josephine Hoffmaster, of Philadelphia, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Schatz.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Reiff entertained on Sunday and Monday Mr. and Mrs. John Yerger, of Pottstown, Mrs. Sophia Reiff, of Worcester, Mrs. J. Metz and Mrs. Undercoffler and daughter, of Norristown.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Keyser, of West Point, and Mr. and Mrs. Greiner of Trappe, spent Sunday with Misses Anna and Mary Weikel.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brunner, who had been spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. H. V. Keyser, was called to Honeybrook, Saturday, because of the serious illness of her granddaughter with scarlet fever.

Miss Rebecca Zollers, of Honeybrook, who is visiting Mrs. H. V. Keyser, was seriously ill with the measles, but is about again.

H. V. Keyser will re-roof the portion of D. W. Fawcett's barn, damaged by the recent storm.

SOIL SURVEY OF SOUTHEASTERN PEN

No Car Fare Paid During This Sale

Here's the Glad News You've Been Waiting For :

Mosheim's Wonderful Winter Sale, Comprising a \$40,000 Stock of Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats to be Rushed Out Regardless of Cost.

This is not an ordinary every-day sale, as some stores advertise. Our patrons know we only have one sale for each season and then we go the limit; making our best efforts with extreme cut price concessions to unload.

Make it your business to attend this great value giving event whether you need clothes or not.

Mosheim's clothes are always in advance styles and of superior quality. You could safely salt them away for next year and be in right. They keep you ahead, not abreast of the minute.

It's your opportunity of a life time to secure up-to-date garments for yourself or boy at these bottom, bed-rock prices:

Many Suits	Men's \$ 8.50 and \$10.00 Suits and Overcoats	\$ 6.75	Plenty
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By CLARISSA MACKIE

Mrs. Griffin was sitting at the telephone ordering a long list of groceries and other things for dinner when she heard the rattle of an auto outside, and Jeffrey Vincent appeared. Walking in and straight to her, he asked if Madeline was in. He wished to take her to ride in his auto.

"I'm so sorry, Jeffrey, but Madeline has disappeared! I believe she has gone to her dressmaker's, and if that is so she will not be home until after luncheon because she was to meet Cleo Delpin there and they were going—oh, never mind, you say? But, Jeffrey, don't you want to take little Sylvia with you? She would dearly love the trip down to Silverlands—and very well; that's a dear boy. I'll tell her to be ready in fifteen minutes."

"Sylvia," she called to the young girl reading in the window, "can't you put on your things and drive down to Silverlands with Jeffrey? It's a fifty mile run down there, and I know he is disappointed that Madeline has forgotten all about the engagement and I've told him you would go." She looked expectantly at Sylvia's slowly flushing face.

"Why, of course, Aunt Bee, if it will help out any," she said, rather reluctantly, "only, of course, I feel as though I had been thrust upon him. I know he'd rather have Madeline."

"Of course he would rather have Madeline," replied Madeline's mother affectionately. "He is deeply in love with her, and I am positive that he would have proposed on this motor drive if she had not run away. What does the child mean by throwing away such a splendid chance?" Mrs. Griffin



AGAIN JEFFREY LOOKED DOWN AT HER.

asked this question of nobody in particular, for she was staring out of the window.

Sylvia felt very uncomfortable. "Well, if Mr. Vincent is willing to take me along instead of Madeline I better get ready," she said and left the room.

"If Sylvia was a little older and better poised I would be afraid to send her off with Jeffrey," mused Mrs. Griffin as she looked after the slim, young figure of her niece. "She certainly will become a beauty—that pale gold hair and those wide gray eyes. Well, after Madeline is married I will do the best I can for Sylvia."

Sylvia was a charming figure in one of Madeline's motor coats and with a most becoming little bonnet framing her face. In spite of the embarrassment she felt in accompanying Jeffrey Vincent in place of Madeline, whom he undoubtedly admired, she could not help a delightful sense of anticipation at the unexpected pleasure before her. As the powerful car sped up the avenue toward the post road she shot a brief upward glance at Jeffrey Vincent's sternly set face.

At the same moment he looked down at her, and their glances met and involuntarily the gravity of his face relaxed before the perfect joy in hers.

"Great, isn't it?" he asked, referring to the fresh spring air and sunshine and intoxication of swift motion.

"Perfectly lovely," sighed Sylvia. "You can't beat these roads out in Wisconsin," he teased her.

"You can't beat our prairies for riding," she retorted. "I'd rather spend one day out there on horseback than a week here in a motor—oh, dear, what have I said?" she breathed in a panic of dismay.

Jeffrey laughed. "You're merely giving me your version of the lines."

"Better fifty years of Europe than a cycle of Cathay."

"I've done some riding in Wyoming myself," he added, tactfully, "and there's nothing like it under the sun."

"Not even motoring?" asked Sylvia eagerly. She was jealous for that western home of hers. In the east they looked upon her as a barbarian. Their criticisms hurt because she had left all that she had to love out there—the graves of her parents.

"Not excepting motoring!" declared Vincent.

"That's nice of you," murmured Sylvia. "I should not have said that, because I am having a lovely time, and it is good of you to take me instead of Madeline."

"The pleasure is mine," protested Vincent, but Sylvia thought that her reference to Madeline had diverted his thoughts to that fickle maiden, for he was very quiet for a long time after that.

It was a lovely ride along the shore of the sound, and now and then a detour through some shaded road. They reached Silverlands at 2 o'clock and had luncheon at an inn that overhung the water. It was a novel and delightful experience for the girl who had never seen anything save the rolling plains of her loved western home.

As they sped homeward she shyly thanked Jeffrey for the pleasure he had given her. "I really believe I shall turn traitor to my horses," she smiled. Again Jeffrey looked down at her, and their eyes met in a strange glance. Gray eyes and brown were withdrawn, but there was a new, sweet sensation flooding Sylvia's being, while Jeffrey looked dizzily ahead between the twin pillars of dust that went before his tires.

He had admired Madeline Griffin and believed that he wanted her for his wife, but he had never felt like this when they were together. Usually they wrangled over unimportant matters. But Madeline was a beauty, an imperious one, and he had had no difficulty in persuading himself that he was in love with her. As for Madeline—if there was room in her heart for any one save herself it was occupied by Teddy Blanchon if one judged by appearances. From sheer jealousy and doggedness Jeffrey had sworn that he would win Madeline for his wife, but now—somehow he didn't care.

He realized that to marry meant something more than carrying off the season's beauty, but he had been dazzled by her. Here was little Sylvia. He looked down at her charming face and promptly forgot all about Madeline.

The way homeward was taken more leisurely, for Jeffrey wanted to talk to Sylvia. They became quite good friends during the afternoon, and when Jeffrey left her at the door of the Griffin home it was his determination to see her often.

Ere his car left the curb a trim maid ran down the steps and begged him to come within, as Mrs. Griffin wanted to speak to him.

Jeffrey found her in the library pale and anxious looking.

"What is the matter, Mrs. Griffin?" he asked. "Has anything happened?"

"I don't know what to do, Jeffrey," she said, with agitation. "Madeline has not been home."

"Well, that is not very unusual, is it?" he asked, with a reassuring smile. "Perhaps she is with Cleo Delpin or—"

"Mrs. Griffin shook her head. 'I cannot find any trace of her, Jeffrey. I have telephoned to Cleo as well as to several other girls—in fact, to every place where she might have been—but she has not been seen today. It is very strange. Her voice quavered.

"That is strange," agreed Jeffrey, worried in his turn. "Shall I go out and try to get some trace of her whereabouts? You know I'm something of a sleuth, and anyway I'm sure she'll be back by dinner time."

"Oh, do go and look for her, Jeffrey; there's a dear!" Xorah says Madeline wore her motor wraps, but she saw her walking down the avenue. That's all I know about it."

"Have patience, dear Mrs. Griffin. I'll telephone you the instant I learn she's safe." He hurried out, meeting Sylvia in the doorway. "Your aunt needs you," he whispered and departed.

Sylvia and Mrs. Griffin spent an anxious evening. Hour after hour passed without word from Jeffrey Vincent, when all at once the desk telephone bell rang sharply.

Mrs. Griffin had been sitting before it all the time. She drew it toward her and spoke huskily.

"Yes," she called.

"Mrs. Griffin, this is Jeffrey Vincent. She is all right. I'm coming up to tell you at once. Goodbye!" And before she could frame a question he had left his end of the wire.

The two watchers in the library waited his coming eagerly.

When his first step sounded in the hall Sylvia's heart flew up into her throat and then sank heavily, for she suddenly recollected that Jeffrey was Madeline's lover and she must stifle her own growing interest in him.

He looked grave when he came in and took Mrs. Griffin's hands in his. "Dear Mrs. Griffin, be prepared for a surprise," he said quietly. "Madeline is safe and well, but she was married to Teddy Blanchon this afternoon, and they are on their honeymoon trip now in Blanchon's motor."

"Married!" shrieked Mrs. Griffin in horror. Then, suddenly recollecting that Teddy Blanchon was as good a match as Jeffrey Vincent, although the poor boy was dreadfully homesick of face and not at all "Madeline's style," she found room in her heart to pity Jeffrey.

"My poor, poor boy, what shall you do?" she cried.

Jeffrey did not appear to hear her, although his lips were smiling. He was looking down over her shoulder at Sylvia's lovely, flushed face. Brown eyes met gray once more, and in this glance each read the blissful fate in store for them.

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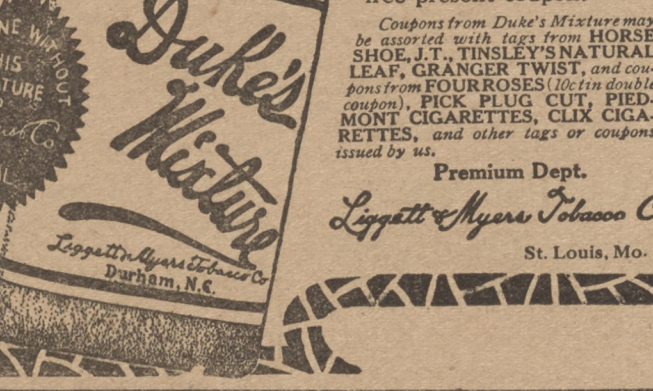
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